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" 6 " " 4 " " "

" 12 " " 5 " " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

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Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, £5,000,000 Dollars.

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Hongkong, March 23, 1882.

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F. COCHINARD, Agent, Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 8, 1882.

### THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF His Majesty King George The First, A.D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation, are prepared to grant Insurances as follows—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

WE Have been appointed AGENTS for the MITSU BUSSAN KAISHA, of Tokio, at THIS PORT.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

### CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

ON and after this Date the Undersigned RESUMES his Duties as SECRETARY of the Company.

By Order of the Directors,

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, March 20, 1882. ap18

### NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of their GOODS by Messrs KYNOCHE & Co., of WITTON, near BIRMINGHAM.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 13, 1881. 13a82

## For Sale.

### FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts, £17 per 1 doz. Case.

Pints, £18 per 2 doz. Case.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, November 1, 1881.

### FOR SALE.

A. RAUTERT MAINZ DELICIOUS TABLE BEER.

4 doz. Case CHAMPAGNE BOTTLES, £10.

Apply to SANDER & Co.

Hongkong, March 30, 1882.

### FOR SALE.

ABOUT 2,000 lbs. MILLER & RICHARD'S Extra-hard Metal BOURGEOIS TYPE, No. 19, (somewhat worn but in fairly good condition).

Apply to OFFICE OF THIS PAPER.

Hongkong, July 22, 1881.

### FOR SALE.

MESSRS W. & J. LOCKETT'S Celebrated BRANDS, THERFALL'S Export PALE ALE, and FINEST LAGER BEER, DUBLIN STOUT, in Cases of 1 dozen.

Also, SILLERY MOUSSEUX (VIN DE CHAMPAGNE), in Cases 2 dozen. Pints and 1 dozen Quarts.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

### FOR SALE.

GENUINE MADEIRA WINE, 1870, \$22 per Dozen.

OLD SUPERIOR PORT (BASTARDOS), \$15 per Dozen.

Apply to L. THEVENIN, Hongkong Hotel Building.

Hongkong, March 21, 1882. ap21

### Tenth Volume of the "CHINA REVIEW."

Now Ready.

No. 4—Vol. X.

OF THE

"CHINA REVIEW"

CONTAINS—

The A-Mi-t'fo Ching.

A Page in the History of China.

"The Delegates' Version" and Mr. Giles' Residence in the Interior and the Transit Trade.

Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.

Notes and Quotations.

Slavery in China.

Rotation of Departmental Duty at Peking.

Quotations from "The Loh U."

Limit of Responsibility for Effects of Wounds according to Chinese Law.

"Sui" and "Tao."

A Correction.

Errata: Chinese Oaths in Borneo and Java.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

Hongkong, March 17, 1882.

### To Let.

#### TO LET.

(WITH POSSESSION ON THE 1st MAY.)

THE New FAMILY RESIDENCE situated next to Extension on Robinson Road, replete with every convenience, TENNIS LAWN, STABLES, &c.

Also, 8 FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS of all Sizes—Water-side. Inspection is invited.

Apply to SHARP, TOLLER & JOHNSON.

Hongkong, April 3, 1882.

### TO LET.

COMMODOUS OFFICES and CON- PRADON'S QUARTERS, &c., with or without GODOWNS, in Pedder's Wharf Building, at present in the occupation of Messrs HESSE & Co. View of the Harbour. Possession to be had from the 1st May next.

Apply to G. R. LAMBERT.

Hongkong, April 5, 1882.

### TO LET.

OFFICES in No. 13, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

No. 4 and 9, SKYVIEW TERRACE.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, March 24, 1882.

## For Sale.

### LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

BRANDAUER'S CELEBRATED CIRCULAR POINTED PENS,—do not scratch the Paper, nor spurt the Ink.

CHUBB'S SAFES,—afford perfect protection against Fire and Burglars.

PIANOS by Broadwood & Collard

—are the favorite Instruments in London.

DRAUGHT BEER by Bass.

BOTTLED BEER by Foster & Sons.

BORDEAUX WINES, bottled by ADET SEWARD & Co.

### LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Are Special Agents for the Sale of the above.

Hongkong, April 12, 1882. my12

## Intimations.

### THE CHINA AND JAPAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, (IN LIQUIDATION).

A FINAL DIVIDEND, at the Rate of 7.5 per Share has been declared, payable at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK on and after the 15th Instant.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS may be obtained from the Undersigned upon production of the Scrip for Cancellation.

LITTLE & Co., Liquidators.

Shanghai, 11th March, 1882. ap20

### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE—1881, IN LIQUIDATION.

THE LIQUIDATORS having decided to pay a FIRST DIVIDEND of \$500 per Share (being on account of Capital and Reserve Fund), Shareholders are hereby notified that the said Sum will be paid them on their handing their Scrip Certificates to the Undersigned for Endorsement.

F. E. JOHNSON, Liquidator.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, 1881.

Hongkong, March 20, 1882.

### FREDERIC ALGAR, COLONIAL NEWSPAPER & COMMISSION AGENT.

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THE Colonial Press supplied with Newspapers, Books, Types, Ink, Presses, Papers, Correspondents, Letters, and any European Goods on London Terms.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

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KEEPS on hand for Sale all Kinds of STEAM COAL of the best quality, at moderate rate; also has always on hand STRAIGHT LUMBERS for Hire at a reasonable Charge, either for special Purposes, Excursions, or Towing.

Hongkong, January 13, 1882. jy13

### NOTICE OF LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE is hereby given, that those Parties who bought Tickets from the Undersigned, from 7th Month of last year to the 1st Month of this current year, of which some were to get Prizes, are requested to send to the Undersigned the DISTRIBUTION before the 21st day of APRIL, 1882. Take note, after this date, no Demand whatever shall be recognised against the Undersigned in respect to this matter.

Fearing questions may arise in future, this Advertisement is specially published by

TUNG YOUNG LEUNG YIK SOCIETY.

Hongkong, April 8, 1882. ap22

### THE "FAR EAST."

THE ISSUES of 1878 WANTED.

Apply at this Office.

Hongkong, October 4, 1880.

### NEWS FOR HOME.

The Overland-China Mail.

(The oldest Overland Paper in China.)

PUBLISHED AT THE "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE.

L. TIME FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

Containing from 72 to 84 columns of closely-printed matter.

THIS Mail Summary is compiled from the Daily China Mail, is published weekly on the morning of the English Mail's departure, and is a record of each fortnight's current history of events in China and Japan, contributed in original reports and collected from the journals published at the various ports in those countries.

It contains Shipping news from Shanghai, Hongkong, Canton, &c., and a complete Commercial Summary.

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Orders should be sent to GEO. MURRAY BAIN, China Mail Office, 2, Wyndham Street, not later than noon of the day the English Mail Steamer leaves.

Terms of Advertising, same as in Daily China Mail.

## Intimations.

### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Goods of OLIVER CALVERT, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that, in accordance with the Provisions of Ordinance No. 9 of 1870, Section 3, an Order has been made by the Honourable GEORGE PHILLIPS, Chief Justice of the said Court, limiting the time for Creditors and others to send in their CLAIMS against the above Estate, to FRIDAY, the 12th day of May, 1882, or before which date all Claims must be proved, otherwise they will not be included in the scheme of Division.

All Persons INDEBTED to the said Estate are required to make immediate Payment to

EDW. J. ACKROYD, Official Administrator.

Hongkong, April 13, 1882. my12

## THE CHINESE MAIL.

THIS paper is now issued every day.

The subscription is fixed at Four Dollars per annum delivered in Hongkong, or Seven Dollars Fifty Cents including postage to Coast ports.

It is the first Chinese Newspaper ever issued under purely native direction.

The chief support of the paper is of course derived from the native community, amongst whom also are to be found the guarantors and securities necessary to place it on a business and legal footing.

The projectors, basing their estimates upon the most reliable information from the various Ports in China and Japan, from Australia, California, Singapore, Peking, Saigon, and other places frequented by the Chinese, consider themselves justified in guaranteeing a large and ever-increasing circulation.

The advantages offered to advertisers are therefore unusually great, and the foreign community generally will find it to their interest to avail themselves of them.

The aid open to a paper of this description—conducted by native efforts, but progressive and anti-obstructive in tone—is almost limitless. It on the one hand commands Chinese belief and interest, while on the other it deserves every aid that can be given to it by foreigners.

Like English journals it contains Editorials, with Local, Shipping, and Commercial News and Advertisements.

Subscription orders for the above may be sent to

GEO. MURRAY BAIN, China Mail Office.

## SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off Clothing, Books, or Papers will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

## Insurances.

### YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up)....Tls. 420,000.00

PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000.00

SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 288,926.17

TOTAL CAPITAL AND ACCUMULATIONS, 2nd April, 1881.....Tls. 938,926.17

Directors.

F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.

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Messrs BARKING BROTHERS & Co.,

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Policies granted on Marine Risks to all parts of the World.

Subject to a Charge of 12 per cent. for Interest on Shareholders' Capital, all the Profits of the Underwriting Business are annually distributed among all Contributors of Business in proportion to the Premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 20, 1881. 10c82

## Shipping.

### STEAMERS.

#### FOR YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship "Galley of Love," Capt. BLAUWARTZ, due on or about the 19th inst., will have immediate despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, April 12, 1882. ap19

## Ins



## For Sale.

**MacEwen, FRICKEL & Co.**  
WILL REMOVE ON 1st MAY  
to their  
**NEW AND EXTENSIVE  
PREMISES,**  
No. 53, Queen's Road East  
(OPPOSITE THE COMMISSARIAT).  
WHERE they have special facilities for  
conducting their Town and Harbour  
Business, and trust to merit a continuance  
of Public Confidence and Support.  
A FULL STOCK OF STORES,  
WINES, &c.,  
ALWAYS ON HAND, INCLUDING:

**YORK HAMS.**  
**CHRISTMAS CAKES.**  
**TEYSSONNET'S DESSERT FRUITS.**  
**ALMONDS AND HAZELNUTS.**  
**SMYRNA FIGS.**  
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**COCOA-TINA.**  
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**HUNTER & PALMER'S BISCUITS.**  
**PATE DE FOIE GRAS.**  
**MINCEMEAT.**  
**CHOCOLATE-MENIER.**  
**SAUSAGES.**  
**BROWN.**

**ISIGNY BUTTER.**  
**DANISH BUTTER.**  
**BREAKFAST TONGUES.**  
**ANCHOVIES.**  
**ASPARAGUS.**  
**SOUPS, &c.**

**WINES AND SPIRITS.**  
**CHAMPAGNES—**  
**HENRIK'S MONOPOL & WHITE**  
**SEAL.**  
**VEUVE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN.**  
**JULES MUMM & Co., pils & quarts.**

**CLARETS—**  
**CHATEAU MARGAUX.**  
**CHATEAU LA ROSE, pils & quarts.**  
**CHATEAU LAFITE, " "**  
**CHATEAU GRAVES, " "**  
**BREAKFAST CLARET, " "**

**SHERRIES & PORT—**  
**SACON'S MANZANILLA & AMON-**  
**TILLADO.**  
**SACON'S OLD INVALID PORT**  
**(1848).**  
**HUNT'S PORT.**

**BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.—**  
**1, 2 & 3-star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.**  
**DISCHER DUBOIS & Co.'s BRANDY.**  
**FINEST OLD BOURBON WHISKY.**  
**KIRKMAN'S LL WHISKY.**  
**ROYAL GLENDEE WHISKY.**  
**CHARTREUSE.**  
**MARASCHINO.**  
**CERACAO.**

**ANGOSTURA.**  
**BORON'S ORANGE BITTERS.**  
**&c., &c.**

**BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and**  
**SANDERSON, pils and quarts.**  
**GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. &**  
**J. BURKE, pils and quarts.**  
**PILSENER BEER, in quarts.**  
**DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the**  
**Gallon.**  
**ALE and PORTER, in hogheads.**

**TOPOCAN BUTTER.**  
**Eastern and Californian CHEESE.**  
**Boneless CODFISH.**  
**Prime HAMS and BACON.**  
**Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.**  
**PEACH and APPLE BUTTER.**  
**Pickled OX-TONGUE.**  
**Paragon MACKEREL, in 5 lb cans.**  
**Bea Ideal SALMON, in 5 lb cans.**  
**Cutting's Dessert FRUITS, in 2 1/2 lb cans.**  
**" Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.**  
**" Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage**  
**MEAT.**  
**" Stuffed PEPPERS.**  
**" Assorted PICKLES.**  
**" MINCEMEAT.**

**COMB HONEY in Original Frames.**  
**Richardson & Robbins' Celebrated Potted**  
**MEATS.**  
**Richardson & Robbins' Curried-OYSTERS.**  
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**Clear CHOWDER.**  
**Smoked SALMON.**  
**Green TURTLE in 2 1/2 lb cans.**  
**&c., &c.**

**YACHT & PICNIC SUPPLIES.**  
**CALIFORNIA**  
**BAKED**  
**COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb**  
**tins, and loose.**  
**Alphabetical BIS-**  
**CUITS.**  
**Fancy Sweet Mixed**  
**BISCUITS.**  
**Ginger CAKES.**  
**Soda BISCUITS.**  
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**Cracked WHEAT.**  
**OATMEAL.**  
**HOMINY.**  
**CORNMEAL.**  
**BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.**  
**RYE MEAL.**

**SPECIALY SELECTED**  
**CIGARS.**  
**Fine New Season's GUMSHAW TEA, in**  
**5 and 10 catty boxes.**  
**BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.**

**SHIPCHANDLERY of every Description.**  
**MACKINNON PEN.**  
**LIVERMORE PEN.**  
**LAWN TENNIS RATS.**  
**LAWN TENNIS BALLS.**  
**LAWN TENNIS SHOES.**  
**Hongkong, April 15, 1882.**

## To-day's Advertisements.

**THEATRE ROYAL.**  
**CITY HALL, HONGKONG.**  
**ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY.**  
**SIGNOR HOFMICH**  
Bugs to inform the Public of Hongkong, that  
THERE WILL BE  
**AN EXTRA PERFORMANCE,**  
**TO-MORROW EVENING,**  
the 18th Instant,  
**FOR THE BENEFIT OF**  
**SIGNOR GAETANO CIOCCI.**  
PRIMO BARITONO ASSOLUTO.  
On which occasion will be produced  
VERDI'S CELEBRATED OPERA IN FOUR ACTS,  
"RIGOLETTO."

**DRAMATIS PERSONAE.**  
Il Duca di Maledon..... Signor Vautelli.  
Rigoletto..... Signor Ciocci.  
Gilda..... Signora Pinelli.  
Sparafucile..... Signor Corti.  
Maddalena..... Signora Siliti.  
Giovanna..... Signora Bertolini.  
Montenapoli..... Signora Paterno.  
Rosa.....  
Marullo..... Signor Brunetti.  
Capitano.....  
Contessa Caprano..... Signora Bertolini.  
Un Paggio.....  
BETWEEN THE 2ND AND 3RD ACTS  
**SIGNOR CIOCCI**  
THE GRAND HALL AREA "OH, LIBBONA  
ALFIN DI MIO, FROM DONIZETTI'S  
"DON SEBASTIANO."  
The Subscription List is now open at  
Messrs KELLY & WALSH'S.  
Hongkong, April 17, 1882. ap19

**THEATRE ROYAL.**  
**CITY HALL.**  
UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF H. E. THE  
ADMINISTRATOR.

**ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY.**  
THE FOURTH PERFORMANCE OF THE  
SECOND SUBSCRIPTION SERIES  
OF SIX OPERAS.  
Will be given on  
**SATURDAY EVENING,**  
the 22nd April, when will be produced  
DONIZETTI'S GRAND OPERA  
"L'ELISIR D'AMORE."

**Prices of Admission:**  
Dress Circle, \$3; Stalls, \$2; Pit, \$1.  
Tickets can be obtained of Messrs KELLY  
& WALSH, at the Doors on the Night  
of the Performance.  
Doors open at 8.30 p.m.; Performance to  
commence at 9 p.m., sharp.  
Ladies accompanied by Gentlemen  
cannot be admitted.  
**A. HOFMICH.**  
Hongkong, April 17, 1882. ap23

**SUPREME COURT.**  
**CRIMINAL SESSIONS.**  
**NOTICE** is hereby given that the JURY  
MEN and WITNESSES summoned  
for Tuesday, the 18th Instant, need not  
attend on the day, but on WEDNESDAY,  
the 19th Instant, at 10 a.m., precisely.  
**EDW. J. ACKROYD,**  
Registrar.  
Hongkong, April 17, 1882. ap19

**COLONEL J. K. AUSTIN'S NEW**  
**AMERICAN RIFLE RANGE,**  
UNITED CLUB, STAMMONT STREET, opposite  
The Union Church.

**BELL TARGETS, FLYING AND STA-**  
**TIONARY BIRDS, &c., &c.**  
**Popular Prices:**  
**FOUR SHOTS for.....25 Cents.**  
Gallery open daily from 4 to 12 p.m., to  
all respectable Members of the Community.  
Hongkong, April 17, 1882.

**OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**  
**FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.**  
The Co.'s Steamship  
"Patroclus,"  
Capt. W. W. White, will be  
despatched at Noon on  
**THURSDAY, the 20th Instant.**  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, April 17, 1882. ap20

**FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.**  
The Steamship  
"Thales,"  
Capt. Pocock, will be  
despatched for the above  
Ports on THURSDAY, the 20th Instant, at  
Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,**  
Hongkong, April 17, 1882. ap20

**OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**  
**FOR SHANGHAI.**  
(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates  
for CHEFOO, NEWCHANG, TIEN-  
TSIN, HANKOW and Ports on  
the YANGTZE.)  
The Co.'s Steamship  
"Jason,"  
Capt. Brown, will be  
despatched on or about  
the 25th Instant.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, April 17, 1882.

**NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM**  
**NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
**FOR BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND**  
**SOURABAYA, VIA PONTIANAK.**  
The Co.'s Steamship  
"Atch,"  
Capt. M. de Nier, will  
be despatched for the  
above Ports on or about the 22nd Instant.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, April 17, 1882.

## To-day's Advertisements.

**OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**  
**FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.**  
The Co.'s Steamship  
"Orates,"  
Capt. Wessman, will be  
despatched on or about  
the 21st Instant.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, April 17, 1882.

**NOTICE.**  
**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES**  
**MARITIMES.**  
**PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.**  
The Co.'s Steamship  
"Cleopatra,"  
Commandant RAPATTEL,  
will be despatched for  
SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from  
Europe.  
**G. DE CHAMPEAUX,**  
Agent.  
Hongkong, April 17, 1882.

**NOTICE.**  
**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES**  
**MARITIMES.**  
**PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.**  
The Co.'s Steamship  
"Volga,"  
Commandant GUTRAND,  
will be despatched for  
YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of  
the next French Mail from Europe.  
**G. DE CHAMPEAUX,**  
Agent.  
Hongkong, April 17, 1882.

**SHIPPING.**  
**ARRIVALS.**  
April 15, *Lido*, British steamer, 620,  
Lewins, Bangkok April 8, General—ARR-  
BOLD, KAMBERG & Co.  
April 16, *Kina*, British steamer, 1410,  
George Servier, Shanghai April 13, Mail  
and General—P. O. S. N. Co.  
April 16, *Greifhond*, British steamer,  
227, D. Scott, Hoihow April 14, General—  
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.  
April 16, *Amy*, British steamer, 814,  
C. H. Hartmann, Shanghai April 12, General—  
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.  
April 16, *Paladin*, British steamer, 890,  
F. E. Aubin, Saigon April 10, Rico—TUNG  
KEE.  
April 17, *China*, German steamer, 648,  
H. Schuler, Swatow April 10, General—  
KWEK ACHONG & SONS.  
April 17, *Catharina II*, Russian steamer,  
810, W. Gollert, Singapore April 9, General—  
BOY HIN CHAN.  
April 17, *Teucer*, British steamer, 1324,  
Power, Liverpool Feb. 25, via Singapore  
April 10, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
April 17, *Catharina*, British barque, 965,  
Thos. Taylor, Sydney (N.S.W.) Feb. 23,  
Coal—ADAMSON, BELL & Co.  
April 17, *Charité*, French barque, from  
Whampoa.  
April 17, *Peking*, British steamer, 964,  
G. H. Drewes, Chinkiang April 13, Rico—  
STEWART & CO.

**DEPARTURES.**  
Apr. 16, *Fokien*, for Swatow, &c.  
16, *Olympia*, for Saigon.  
16, *Cristoforo*, for Amoy.  
16, *Pernambuco*, for Saigon.  
16, *Emmy*, for Amoy and Manila.  
16, *Amoy*, for Canton.  
16, *Storch*, German frigate, for Amoy  
and Shanghai.  
17, *Perak*, for Quinhon.  
17, *Emmerla*, for Amoy and Manila.  
17, *Storch*, for Nagasaki and Yokohama.  
17, *Strathairn*, for San Francisco.  
17, *Paisy*, for Manila.  
**CLEARED:**  
*Greyhound*, for Hoihow.  
*Welle*, for Hoihow.  
*Sinatra*, for Victoria (V. I.).  
*Henry*, for Manila.  
*Tinor*, for Shanghai.  
*Frieis*, for Portland (Oregon).  
**PASSENGERS.**  
**ARRIVED.**  
Per *Kina*, from Shanghai: for Hong-  
kong, 19 Chinese; for Singapore, Mr. J. J.  
Winton and servant; for Vintor, Mr. and  
Mrs. F. W. White, 2 children and European  
nurse; for London, Mr. and Mrs. F. W.  
Gilles, 2 children and European nurse,  
Capt. A. E. Knights, Miss E. Adorff.  
Per *Teucer*, from Liverpool, &c., Mr. R.  
Hanssen, Mr. and Mrs. Longbottom and 4  
children, and 116 Chinese for Hongkong;  
Mr. Wood for Shanghai.  
Per *Lido*, from Bangkok, 26 Chinese.  
Per *Greyhound*, from Hoihow, 65 Chinese.  
Per *Amoy*, from Shanghai, 30 Chinese.  
Per *Paladin*, from Saigon, 50 Chinese.  
Per *China*, from Swatow, 255 Chinese.  
Per *Peking*, from Chinkiang, 20 Chinese.  
**DEPARTED.**  
Per *Tekin*, for Swatow, Messrs Smith,  
Mouly, and 2 Europeans deck; for Amoy,  
Mr. B. Somjee; for Foochow, Messrs F.  
Hussan Ali, and O. Rabuliy.  
Per *Lydia*, for Saigon, 100 Chinese.  
Per *Catharina*, for Amoy, 3 Chinese.  
Per *Pernambuco*, for Saigon, 25 Chinese.  
Per *Emmy*, for Amoy, 52 Chinese.  
Per *Bernardus*, for Amoy and Manila, 60  
Chinese.  
Per *Strathairn*, for San Francisco, 816  
Chinese.  
**TO DEPART.**  
Per *Greyhound*, for Hoihow, 30 Chinese.  
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Per American barque *Mary Whitbridge*,  
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5,600 boxes and 1,000 boxes Oats, 1,720  
pkgs. Camphor, 1,188 pkgs. Fire Crackers,  
73 pkgs. Cakes, 270 pkgs. Preserves, 76  
pkgs. Soy, 20 pkgs. Essential Oil, 1,100  
rolls Matting, and 1,668 pkgs. Merchandise.  
Per S. S. *Esanbia*, Hongkong to Victo-  
ria, B.C., sailed April 6th—2,968 bags  
Rice, 300 bags Sugar, 50 pkgs. Tea (un-  
canned), 70 boxes Oil, and 1,716 pkgs. Mer-  
chandise.

**POST OFFICE NOTICES.**  
**MAILS will close:**  
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the 19th inst.  
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the 20th inst.  
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**MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.**  
The British Contract Packet *Khiva*  
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and Gibraltar.  
N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the  
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**THE MAJESTY THE BRITISH CONTRACT**  
**PACKET** will close during the Summer  
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For Money Order Business 3 P.M.  
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Posting of all Letters with Late Fee  
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The London Daily News says there has been some delay in the publication of the Blue Book on domestic servitude in Hongkong. On Thursday, therefore, Mr. Alexander MacArthur, will ask the Under-Secretary for the Colonies when this Blue Book will be in the hands of members.

The Peking correspondent of the N. C. D. News says that Tso Tung-tang writes more men to assist in his administration at Nanking. He has written for four Tantis, one Cho-fu, one Cho-chou, one Tung-che and one Tung-pan. Every official ought to seek to surround himself with the competent and to dismiss the incompetent. The Emperor grants the request. Such requests are never refused, especially when the Throne has confidence in the man who selects and who has shown his administrative ability by collecting round him efficient subordinates.

A CORRESPONDENT writes to the N. C. D. News from Chinkiang:—The Viceroy Tso Tung-tang is shortly expected here on a visit, and his presence is much needed, for the officials are getting particularly drowsy and sadly want shaking up. We are short of Mr. Smithers, United States Consul at this port; a loss that will be felt by the community generally. He returns to Smyrna to take up the Consular thread, a position he occupied for fifteen years prior to his coming to China. Mr. Smithers arrived in Shanghai yesterday (11th) per Kiang-huan.

The London correspondent of the Manchester Examiner, under date of 8th March, gives the following items of news:—"I understand that Sir John Pope Hennessy's recall on leave of absence from Hongkong has been necessitated by the absolute deadlock into which the affairs of the island have got owing to the inability of the Governor to work amicably with any of his subordinates, most of whom are constantly being changed, with, however, always the same result. It is not probable that Sir John will resume active service, as in a short time he will be entitled to a pension."

The N. C. D. News says:—The Viceroy Li Hung-chang has issued an order recently which will meet with a degree of compliance most unusual in official experience, an order that has given intense satisfaction to all the maritime ports, in that it exempts the local authorities and guilds from an onerous tax. It is, that the triennial demand for war-junks is not again to be made, and the work commenced for the construction of a new supply has been abandoned. This was a tax which was reluctantly submitted to for the reason that when those tribute war-junks arrived at Shan-hai Kiang, and on their way, they were never moved thence, but rotted at anchor, being gradually dismantled, and their stores and movables pilfered. Various guilds at the ports were obliged to furnish materials at less than cost price. This change, we are informed, is due to the introduction of steam gunboats.

It would seem that the scare as to the closing of the Kaiping coal mines was comparatively groundless, the disturbing influence to the mines of the departed great minister being in close proximity to the Imperial Mausoleum. The News says that the Shen Pao informs its readers that so far from the Kaiping coal-mines being shut up, they are now turning out more and more coal every day, and that the prospects in the immediate future are most encouraging. It gives a distinct denial to the statement of the foreign press—coloured, however, at the time by the Shen Pao itself—that the coal-mines were going to be closed; and assures all shareholders that they have no ground to be disquieted. We believe the whole mistake to have been a very simple one. It was the copper, never the coal, mines, that were said to interfere with the repose of the soul of the Emperor. The copper-mines are dangerously near to the Imperial Mausoleum; the coal-mines, happily for China, are a very long way off.

An Annamite from Saigon named Tran-Nguyen-Hahn has been admitted to the French bar after a brilliant examination. He is the first of his nation who has taken a degree in France.

REGARDING the protection of submarine cables, the Board of Trade have requested of Mr. Pender, M.P., a map showing the position of all the present telegraph cables, and a set of clauses completely drawn, and embodying the provisions which the companies wish to see made law.

Saturday evening was the first time this opera has ever been presented to a Hongkong audience, and considering the difficulties a travelling company has to surmount, as to scenery, choruses and accessories, the performance on Saturday evening may be scored as a triumph for the indefatigable troupe that for the past few weeks has catered for our little community. Pacini was born in Catania in 1796. It was his intention to have taken holy orders, but his passion for music was more powerful than his love for religion, and he at once entered heart and soul into the study of music, and produced several operas, which though not so well known as are the efforts of his confreres, are replete with passages of great beauty.

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**UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF OPIUM.**  
Su Ahn, unemployed, was charged with being in possession of prepared opium without having a valid certificate, on the 16th instant.

Acting P. S. Smith entered the house No. 243 Queen's Road East on Saturday evening, and after searching, found a quantity of opium, and a number of articles used in the preparation of opium. The defendant was pointed out to Smith as the master of the house by an informer.

The defendant was discharged, but the opium utensils were forfeited.

**ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE.**  
Hu Wing Hing, was proved to have been one of five who succeeded, by using violence, in stealing an umbrella from Chang Sing Pak, supercargo on board the *Caribou*, while the latter was walking along Queen's Road West on Saturday evening. A fine of 82, was imposed, with the option of suffering seven days' imprisonment.

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Wong Ahkoon, Opium Divan, kept, admitted being in possession of prepared opium without having a license, and was fined 825, in default of payment one month's imprisonment. His divan at No. 160 Hollywood Road, was visited by Sergeant Fisher, who found a quantity of the article, and some utensils.

**REBELLION.**  
Leung Yan, unemployed, was charged on remand, with others not in custody with cutting and wounding one Yam Lam on the 3rd instant, since which date the wounded man has been confined in Hospital.

The complainant who is a cooper, said that he had come from Canton, about a month ago. On the 3rd instant he went to a hawk's stall in Queen's Road West to buy sugar-cane, and while standing there along with several others, he felt some one behind him. He turned round and saw the defendant with a dagger in his hand. He received a stab on the upper part of the left leg, another on his left breast, and another on the left arm. The complainant knew the defendant as a cooper, and he knew the defendant did not care for new ones. In answer to the defendant the complainant said he was sure he was the man, as he heard him say before he was stabbed, "Why do you come here to work?"

The defendant denied the charge, and said he was a cooper with out employment. He had seen the complainant before at the cooper's house.

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The case was again remanded till the 24th instant.

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Young Fuk, tea master, was committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions of the Supreme Court, on the charge of bringing into this Colony a girl named Tsoi Fuk Kiu, 13 years of age, for unlawful purposes. The complainant's story was that her aunt, visited her father's house at Tung Koon, and took her away for a time to see her relations. Her aunt then took her to the defendant's house at Honan, where she remained four days. On the 31st March the defendant conveyed her to Canton, and from there to Hongkong by the night steamer, saying that she would be shown her relations. She never saw any of her relations, however, but was left at the family house of a Chinese constable. The constable waited in the house until the defendant returned, and, having during the interim heard the girl's story, arrested him. One witness in the case said that the defendant had said that he was willing to sell the girl, and that he had been offered 8100, on board the steamer. The defendant denied having anything to do with the girl, and said that the girl's aunt had taken her to the Hongkong boat. He was allowed bail in two sureties of 850 each.

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**FARRING NATCHING.**  
Wong Ahn, an inmate of a brothel, while walking in Gap Street, yesterday, had her earrings snatched by Li Asing, hawk. The thief was caught by a constable who had suspected and dogged him. Sentence of six months' imprisonment with hard labour was imposed.

**ATTEMPTED ROBBERY FROM THE PERSON.**  
Leong Aki yesterday attempted to abstract some money from the pocket of Andrew Dunk, apprentice seaman on board the British barque *Martha*. The young man was standing looking at a shop window at the time of the occurrence, and owing to the clumsy manner that the defendant made the attempt Dunk was put on the alert, and caught the defendant in the act. The Magistrate sentenced the Chinese man to three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

**ATTEMPTING TO MAKE OFF WITH A PAIR OF SHOES.**  
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**Hoihow.**  
(From a Correspondent.)  
During the past week great excitement has prevailed at Hoihow, on account of the representative of a newly established foreign long, shooting some Chinese dogs in the streets of Huihow, and eventually wounding an old Chinese woman. For several days a large crowd collected in front of H. M. Consulate, where the woman had been carried, and for some time serious disturbances threatened to take place. Owing, however, to the energetic steps of H. M. Consul, the crowd dispersed, and the case has now been settled by payment of a small sum to the woman and the owners of the poor animals.

**China.**  
(N. C. Daily News.)  
There is a report in Tientsin that Li Han-chang, the Viceroy of the Yangtze, is likely to be called to Peking to take the post reserved recently by the death of Mao Chang-hai. It does not meet with much credence, however.

About 11.45 on Friday night a foreigner had a narrow escape from drowning. A sampan-man was paddling his own canoe somewhere near the Garden Bridge when he heard a splash as of some one or something falling into the water. He hurried towards the direction indicated by the noise, and discovered an unfortunate gentleman vainly endeavouring to swim. He immediately took him into the boat, pulled for the shore, and reported the circumstance to the police, by whom the rescued man was escorted to his hotel, where he was taken care of. When he fell off the bridge he was considerably under the influence of liquor at the time of the affair taking place. The sum of forty cents was generously sent to the sampan-man as a reward for his services. The Spanish lancha *Kingdoofo*, Captain Riviera, which left this a few days ago for one of the riverine ports with a general cargo, was lost on the night of the 4th of morning of the 5th inst. near the Centaur Booy. From the statements of the crew it appears that the night being dark and rainy it was extremely difficult, if not impossible, to see the way ahead. The vessel suddenly struck against a sandbank,

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(Mercury, 12th April.)  
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We have been trying to call the attention of the authorities to the constant firing of the Chinese artillery at the Wansong forts, without any warning being given to either outgoing or incoming steamers. On Monday evening, whilst the steamer *Amoy* was coming up from Hongkong, the weather at the time being foggy, and impossible for gunners to see a target, had there been one fixed, a ball passed between the *Amoy's* masts. This, no doubt, is too close to be pleasant. This is not all, however; for yesterday the steamer *Wookong*, on entering the harbour, received a similar reception, the passing line of range, a ball was fired, which fell within 200



### Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

FOOCHOW SHIPPING IN PORT.		MERCHANT STEAMERS.		MERCHANT STEAMERS.	
April 8, 1882.					
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*Fokien	for Hongkong	Glenlyon	British	Tung-tung	Chinese
Kang-chi	for Shanghai	Glenorchy	British	Waverley	British
		Hse-an	Chinese	Who-on	British
		Hse-an	Chinese	Yung-ning	Chinese
SAILING VESSELS.					
Batavia	for Shanghai	Hsichow	British	MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.	
Caroline	for Takao	Kangyung	British	Alex. Newton	for Newcastle
Obageaubriand	for Newchwang	Kasiger	British	Argos	English brig
Oscar Vidal	for Tientsin	*Kliva	British	Brenda	British brig
Siberian	for Tientsin	Kiang-ching	Chinese	Chinse	British barque
		Kiang-foo	Chinese	City of Montreal	American ship
		Kiang-kwan	Chinese	F. P. Litchfield	for New York
		Oaklands	British	Herrmann	German brig
SHIPPING IN SHANGHAI HARBOUR.		Orestes	British	Hilda	British barque
April 12, 1882.		Pekin	British	Nyghen	British ship
MERCHANT STEAMERS.		Ruri Maru	British	Oceanic	British barque
*Amoy	British	Seghalien	French	Oleander	British barque
Bailal	Russian	Sin Nanking No. 2	British	Palham	British brig
Brutus	German	Stone Nordake	Danish	Sea Swallow	British barque
Cyclop	for London, &c	Tonghin	German	Spirit of the Age	British barque
Fei-yuen	American			MEN-OF-WAR.	
Fuh Yu	British			Luthi	French gunboat
Fuyaw	Chinese			Moorhen	H. M. gunboat
Goukai Maru	Japanese				

\* Since left port, or arrived at Hongkong.

the Chinese post-statement of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'ing, by Mr. E. C. Clav. It is not only historically valuable, but is distinguished by its literary grace. But notices of new books relating to China are few, which will be a usual feature in the *Review*, if carried out with punctiliousness and detail. We are glad to notice "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. If it is hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a Chinese literary criticism, the threshold is displayed during the lifetime of its precursor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance.

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